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COUMARIN

- On February 20, 1981, Martin Brinkman AG, Bremen (BRD), was granted special permission to use coumarin on tobacco products in West Germany (1).

The use of coumarin is limited to 100 ppm/cig. for a total of 10 billion cigarettes a year. The special permission is granted for the period of March 1, 1981, to February 28 1983.

- Deviation from Paragraph 2, Article 1 and Enclosure 1, No. 1 of the German Tobacco Ordinance of December 20, 1977, on March 23, 1981, PMG was granted special permission for the use of Coumarin in cigarette production in West Germany (2).

The following injunctions are to be observed :

The addition of coumarin may not exceed 100 ppm/cig. and the number of cigarettes produced with an addition of coumarin is limited to 8 billion per year.

Particular points concerning this permission are :

- a) coumarin may be added only to those tobaccos which will be used in the production of cigarettes which may be advertised as "light" (Leicht-Abkommen of December 20, 1977).
- b) No reference may be made to this special permission neither in advertising nor in labelling.

The special permission is granted for the period of April 1, 1981 to March 31, 1983.

REFERENCES

- (1) GMBI 1981, Vol 31, p. 136.
- (2) Letter from the Bundesminister für Jugend, Familie und Gesundheit to Philip Morris GmbH, Munich, dated March 23, 1981.

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